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FM AMCONSUL MELBOURNE

TO SECSTATE WAHSCC 2458

INFO AMEMBASSY CANBERRA

AMCONSUL SYDNEY

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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: EAIR, AS

SUBJECT: CIVAIR: RUMOURS HAVE MINISTER OF TRANSPORT JONES

ON WAY OUT.

1. MELBOURNE'S SUN OF NOV29 PRINTED STORY
THAT PRIME MINISTER WHITLAMMIGHT REMOVE TRANSPORT MINISTER
JONES FROM HIS PORTFOLIO BECAUSE OF A CLASH OVER THE TAA
PILOT'S PAY CASE. ON NOV 27 THE PRIME MINISTER OVERRULED
JONES AND DIRECTED TAA TO GIVE ITS PILOTS THE SAME PERCENTAGE
PAY RAISE AS ANSETT'S PILOTS RECEIVED LAST WEEK. JONES
HAS BEEN SUBJECTED TO A GREAT DEAL OF CRITICISM FROM ALL SECTORS
BECAUSE OF HIS HANDLING OF THIS ISSUE.

2. COMMENT: ALTHOUGH IT HAS BEEN IMPOSSIBLE TO CONFIRM THIS
RUMOUR, OFF THE REOCD SAMPLING OF PRESS CONTACTS
MORE OR LESS VERIFY THAT IT PROBABLY WILL HAPPEN SOONER RATHER
THAN LATER. HOWEVER, RUMOUR WAS BASICALLY SUBSTANTIATED BY A
VERY HIGHLY PLACED MELBORNE FINANCIER WHO ALSO HAS CIVIL AIR
INTERESTS, HE STATED THAT HE WAS CALLED FROM CANBERRA VERY
LATE AT NIGHT ON NOV 28 AND INFORMED THAT THIS WOULD SOON
TAKE PLACE. REMAINS TO BE SEEN IF REMOVAL TAKES PLACE,
BUT IF IT DOES IT MIGHT RELAX THE STRAINED RELATIONS WHICH HAVE
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MARKED OUR BILATERAL AIR SCENE SINCE JONES BECAME MINISTER.

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